(2) Kiralbogi may be excluded from the list of reserved trees as it is specially suited for ploughs in the Malnad districts.

Reply of Government.—The matter is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 188.

Amildars to be authorized to fix a reasonable amount for both forest and village hulbanni.

Mr. K. Nanjappa, Taluk Member, Holalkere.

Summary of discussion.—The present practice of fixing and levying forest hulbanni, separately from village hulbanni, works hard upon the raiyats. The Amildars may therefore be authorized to fix a reasonable sum for both kinds of hulbanni.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done. The Conservator of Forests will be asked to report whether there is any practice of fixing a lump sum in connection with State Forests.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL BOARDS.

SUBJECT No. 189.

Appointment of Amildars as Members of District Boards.

Messrs. Saiyad Sab of Kankanhalli Taluk; Sahukar Manjaiya Uduparu and Nagappa of Nagar Taluk

Summary of discussion.—The Amildar's knowledge of every village in the taluk made him a useful member of the District Board. Under the present constitution he is no longer a member. In the interests of the taluk he may be re-appointed as a member.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 190.

Appointment of employees in the Education Department as Local Board Members.

Mr. Varahaswami Iyengar, Sri Yadugiri Sadanandavardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—As the Professors, Masters and Pandits teach morality and charity (dharma) to young men, they should be elected as members of the Representative Assemblies, District and Taluk Boards. At present the employees in the Education Department of this State are not treated with becoming respect. Therefore it is prayed that this drawback may be set right.

Reply of Government.—This is not necessary.

SUBJECT No. 191.

Election of Representative Assembly Members by Taluk Boards.

Mr. Sivabasavadevaru, Land-holder, T.-Narsipur.

Mr. Yale Chennabasappa, Hiriyur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Municipalities containing a population of 5,000 inhabitants are eligible to elect Representative Members. Minor Municipalities cannot elect such Members as per revised Rules. Since Taluk Boards have been established, these may now be empowered to elect Representative Members, from among themselves.

Reply of Government.—The existing Rules do not require any alteration.

SUBJECT No. 192.

Appointment of honorary village members in the interests of raiyats.

Mr. Lakshmi Narasimhachar, Chamarajnagar.

Summary of discussion.—In all villages the shanbhog being a powerful person, very often uses his influence in tyrannizing over a large number of raiyats who are mostly ignorant. These shanbhogs very often conceal the former orders of Government and get new orders passed against those raiyats whom they do not like. In the interest of

raiyats it is therefore desirable to appoint deserving honorary village members for each village or group of villages to serve as an efficient check over the vagaries of these shanbhogs by bringing their defects to the notice of the authorities at the time of Jamabandi.

Reply of Government.—This is not expedient.

SUBJECT No. 193.

Additional establishments to District Board offices and increase of salaries to officials therein.

Mr. Tirunarana Iyengar, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—As the work of the District Board President's office is increasing, additional salaries may be sanctioned to the officials working therein and the establishment strengthened by one or two more hands.

The member said that no batta to the members was necessary and the savings thus effected utilized for additional establishment and increase of salaries.

Reply of Government.—If batta is not wanted it is open to the District Boards to pass such a resolution and act upon it.

SUBJECT No. 194.

Utilization of Local Fund income solely for charitable purposes and allotment of Local Fund amount to each taluk.

Mr Lakshmi Narasimhachar, Hassan District Board.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao of T.-Narsipur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The cost of maintaining Local Fund roads in the districts is hardly met by the present Local Fund income. In these days of uncertain and scanty rainfall, drinking water wells, tanks and a few musafirkhanas in the maidan taluks of the district are required. The entire Local Funds may therefore be utilized only for charitable purposes, the cost of management of work and establishment being met from Provincial Funds or by Public Works Department allotments.

(*b*) To facilitate the construction of roads, etc., in villages, it is desired that a permanent grant from the Local Funds be allotted to each taluk.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) This is not feasible.

(*b*) This is a matter for the District Board itself.

SUBJECT No. 195.

Members to represent different communities in Municipalities and Unions.

Mr. Hutcheeregowda, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—If members of Municipalities and Panchayetdars of Unions are chosen from among the different communities, better attention may be expected to be paid to sanitation and to the assessment of taxes.

Reply of Government.—This is inexpedient.

SUBJECT No. 196.

Constitution of villages consisting of more than 300 houses into Village Unions.

Mr. Lakshminaranappa of Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that early orders may be passed enforcing the constitution of villages consisting of more than 300 houses or 1,000 people into Village Unions for bettering the sanitary condition of such villages.

Reply of Government.—The matter is under correspondence and will be considered.